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Letter dated 3 February 1992 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Worship of Bolivia addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to address you and thus initiate the epistolary contact between the Permanent Mission of Bolivia to the United Nations and you, who have recently taken up your functions as Secretary-General of our Organization. The occasion is therefore doubly welcome. My purpose in writing is to bring to your attention and, through you, to that of the Members of the United Nations, the great satisfaction felt in my country at the signing of a binational project of friendship, cooperation and integration agreed to by the Presidents of Peru and Bolivia, Mr. Alberto Fujimori and Mr. Jaime Paz Zamora, and consisting of six agreements signed on 24 January 1992 in Ilo, Peru, by the Foreign Ministers of the two countries.

Such a significant event was a cause of joy among the people in Bolivia, which was echoed by the honourable representatives to the Senate and Chamber of Deputies, both of which issued statements extolling such memorable action for integration and instructed this Mission to make public their gratitude for the "noble gesture made before the world by the President of Peru, Alberto Fujimori". Going beyond traditional rhetoric, he and the President of Bolivia, Jaime Paz Zamora, together moved into the camp of "creative and imaginative realism" by putting into effect "their political and historical will, rooted in profoundly Latin American values".

Accordingly, I request that you have this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session under the item entitled "Law of the Sea", for the information of all Members of our Organization.

(Signed) Carlos ITURRALDE BALLIVIAN
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